



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20463

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RE: MUR 5598
John Swallow
John Swallow for Congress, Inc.
Stanley R. deWaal, in his official
capacity, as Treasurer

Dear Mr. Craig:

On November 8, 2004, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients, John Swallow and his principal campaign committee, John Swallow for Congress, Inc., and Stanley R. deWaal, in his official capacity as treasurer, of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended. A copy of the complaint was forwarded to your clients at that time.

Upon further review of the allegations contained in the complaint, and information supplied by your clients and others, the Commission, on February 11, 2009, dismissed this matter in an exercise of prosecutorial discretion. *See Heckler v. Chaney*, 470 U.S. 821 (1985). A Statement of Reasons providing a basis for the Commission's decision will follow.

The file in this matter is now closed. Documents related to the case will be placed on the public record within 30 days. *See Statement of Policy Regarding Disclosure of Closed Enforcement and Related Files*, 68 Fed. Reg. 70,426 (Dec. 18, 2003).

If you have any questions, please contact Jack Gould, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Mark Allen", is positioned above the typed name.

Mark Allen
Assistant General Counsel

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